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SIR: This is a request for filing a

☒ Continuation Application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of pending prior U.S. Application No. 10/081,436 filed February 20, 2002, of Randy W. WESTLUND et al., for MODIFIED GUIDEWIRE FOR LEFT VENTRICULAR ACCESS LEAD, which is a continuation of Application No. 09/466,266 filed December 17, 1999, which is a continuation-in-part of application No. 09/164,891 filed October 1, 1998, which is a continuation-in-part of application No. 09/097,101 filed June 12, 1998, now abandoned.

1. ☒ Enclosed is a complete copy of the prior application including drawings, if any, as originally filed. I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of prior U.S. Application No. 10/081,436, as originally filed on February 20, 2002, the contents of which are incorporated herein by reference.
2. ☐ Enclosed is a substitute specification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.125.
3. ☐ Enclosed is a Request for Non-Publication of Application and Certification Under 35 U.S.C. § 1.22(b)(2)(B)(i).
4. ☒ A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
5. ☐ The filing fee, including the extra claims fee, is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended at 4 above.

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Total Claims		-	20		x \$18	
Independent Claims		-	3		x \$86	\$
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6. ☒ This application is being filed without a filing fee, extra claims fee and Declaration under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f). Applicants await notification from the Patent and Trademark Office of the time set for filing the Declaration and paying the filing fee and extra claims fee.
7. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees not accounted for above, with the exception of the filing fee and extra claims fee, which may be required including fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, or credit any overpayment during the pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.
8. ☒ The prior application is assigned of record to: Cardiac Pacemakers, Inc.
9. ☐ Priority of Application No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed on \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_, is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. Certified copies
- ☐ is enclosed or ☐ are on file in the prior application
10. ☐ Small entity status is appropriate and applies to this application.
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12. ☐ The power appears in the original declaration of the prior application, a copy of which will be provided in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f) within the time period set by the Patent Office.
13. ☒ Since the power does not appear in the original declaration, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION. If any extension of time is necessary for the filing of this application, including any extension in parent U.S. Application No. 10/081,436 filed February 20, 2002, for the purpose of maintaining copendency between the parent application and this application, and such extension has not otherwise been requested, such an extension is hereby requested, and the Commissioner is authorized to charge necessary fees for such an extension to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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